

COMMISSIONERS COURT ADJOURNED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 10:50 A.M. ON TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 1997.

AGENDA ITEM # 32

April 8, 1997

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Discuss acquisition of right-of-way for State Highway 45 (EXECUTIVE SESSION REQUESTED as per VTCA Govt Code Sec. 551.072 relating to real property).

Present for Executive Session were Judge Doerfler, Commissioners Heiligenstein, Boatright, Hays and Mehevec along with County Attorney Gene Taylor, First Assistant County Attorney Dale Rye, Charles Crossfield, Larry Kokel and David Blakey.

State Highway 45 right-of-way acquisition was discussed but no action was taken in Executive Session.

AGENDA ITEM # 33

April 8, 1997

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Discuss pending litigation: Safeco Inc. vs. Danny W. Colburn & Williamson County (EXECUTIVE SESSION REQUESTED as VTCA Govt Code sec. 551-071, consultation with attorney).

Present for Executive Session were Judge Doerfler, Commissioners Heiligenstein, Boatright, Hays and Mehevec along with County Attorney Gene Taylor and First Assistant County Attorney Dale Rye.

Safeco Inc. vs. Danny W. Colburn & Williamson County was discussed but no action was taken in Executive Session.

COMMISSIONERS COURT RECONVENED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 11:43 A.M. ON TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 1997.

AGENDA ITEM # 34

April 8, 1997

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Discuss and take any appropriate action on acquisition of right-of-way for State Highway 45.

Commissioner Heiligenstein announced the court has decided not to purchase the proposed right-of-way at this point feeling the priority parcels are located in more westerly direction at this time. Also the price is difficult to justify in light of the limited funding.

Moved: Commissioner Heiligenstein

Seconded: Judge Doerfler

Motion: To take no action on acquisition of right-of-way for State Highway 45 at this time.

Vote: Motion carried 5 - 0

AGENDA ITEM # 35

April 8, 1997

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Discuss and take any appropriate action on pending litigation: Safeco Inc. vs. Danny W. Colburn & Williamson County.

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Moved: Commissioner Heiligenstein

Seconded: Judge Doerfler

Motion: To retain Dietz and Associates to represent Williamson County on pending litigation: Safeco Inc. vs. Danny W. Colburn & Williamson County.

Vote: Motion carried 5 - 0

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AGENDA ITEM # 36April 8, 1997

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Hear comments from commissioners.

Commissioner Heiligenstein commented on HB 1821 pertaining to Elgin Bank case and subdivision regulations in general. The committee on which the commissioner is serving met again with the homebuilders last week, reached an agreement and the bill is expected to be voted out of committee this week.

The Commissioner is not quite as hopeful on HB 2030 by Bob Turner (utilities bill) wherein a certification of water and sewer being available would be noted on the plat.

The proposed bill of Texas Association of Counties would transfer \$.19 or \$.20 per gallon from the state gasoline tax to county lateral road and bridge programs for approximately \$1,600,000.00 to Williamson County but would deduct \$180,000,000.00 from TxDot.

Commissioner Hays advised of the possibility of the senate tax abatement bill passing. One of the Senate bills would allow school districts to grant tax abatements for over \$1,000,000,000.00 companies such as Intel now building in Denton County. There was opposition from Motorola and Texas Instruments along with many other large companies already located in Texas.

Commissioner Hays also reported on the bill for payment to counties for housing state prisoners. Many counties appearing had sufficient space for the housing with a few overcrowded counties thus causing controversy.

Judge Doerfler had given his testimony before the transportation meeting on Monday, April 7, 1997 regarding toll roads. TxDot now plans to integrate the Texas Turnpike Authority into TxDot under a separate umbrella. The committee was favorable of this action which was left pending.

County Attorney Gene Taylor sat in on a Senate subcommittee hearing regarding parole violations and revocations where the processing time could be changed to less than 90 days from the current 150 day policy.

The jail magistrate bill was voted out of the Senate committee with a House version expected within the next few days.

COMMISSIONERS COURT RECESSED AT 11:55 A.M. ON TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 1997.

COMMISSIONERS COURT RECONVENED AT 2:00 P.M. ON TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 1997.

AGENDA ITEM #37April 8, 1997Open and consider awarding, extending or rejecting bids for temporary inmate housing.

At 2:00 p.m. on April 8, 1997, Judge Doerfler announced time to open bids for temporary inmate housing.

At 2:07 p.m. on April 8, 1997, Judge Doerfler announced time closed to receive bids for temporary inmate housing.

Bids were opened and read aloud from:

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Richmond Commercial Construction, Inc.	\$432,089.00
Texas High Sierra Corp.	\$439,000.00

The receipt and opening of the bids to be noted in the minutes with the award to be made at a later date.

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COMMISSIONERS COURT ADJOURNED AT 2:32 P.M. ON TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 1997.